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During Coffee County Commission meeting

## EMA director cautions that COVID-19 numbers are trending up for county

by Linda Hodge, Editor

A caution James Brown, Coffee County EMA director, painted a concerning picture Monday, July 13, regarding COVID-19 numbers during the Coffee County Commission meeting held in New Brockton.

"According to the ADPH [Alabama Department of Public Health] risk tracker, Coffee County is in the very high risk category now, as is most of the wiregrass area," Brown said Monday morning.

As of Monday morning, Brown said the county had a cumulative count of 429 total cases of COVID-19 reported [that number was up to 453 as of Tuesday afternoon].

"About 13 percent of those tested are coming back positive," Brown said. "The state wants that number to be below 10 percent."

He added that according

to CDC guidelines for reopening everything back to 'how it was' before COVID-19, the percentage of positive cases needs to be below 5 percent.

"We are more than double where we need to be," Brown said.

He said many people are saying they believe the positive cases are increasing because the number of those being tested is increasing. However, Brown said the numbers do not support that theory.

"The positivity rate should stay the same no matter how many tests are performed," Brown said. "It's not. It [the positivity rate] is growing."

He said hospitalizations also are on the rise for those infected with the virus with

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**TRAFFIC CHANGES IN DOWNTOWN ELBA!!** Alabama Department of Transportation crews were in Elba on Tuesday of this week making a long-awaited change to the flow of traffic in downtown Elba. Three downtown intersection changed from traffic light operated to stop sign intersections. The photo above shows the intersection of Davis Street and Factory Avenue changed to an "All Way" stop while the intersection of Davis Street and Claxton Avenue was changed to the same. Another change was the intersection of Claxton Avenue and Simmons Street to a two-way stop (on Simmons St). The traffic lights at these intersections have been switched to flashing lights for the next 90 days as motorists get accustomed to the changes. Motorists are strongly encouraged to use extreme caution in the downtown area as all adjust to the changes.

by Linda Hodge, Editor



Cate Capps addresses the Elba City Council during the regular bimonthly meeting Monday evening, July 13th. Pictured above with Cate is her dad, Colby.

**Cate Capps asks City Council to consider annual birthday celebration for City of Elba**

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Young miss Cate Capps made her first citizen's request of the Elba City

**NOTICE:**  
The deadline to qualify to run for office in the upcoming municipal elections is 5 p.m. Tuesday, July 21st.

Those interested in seeking the office of mayor or any of the five city council seats in the City of Elba are encouraged to qualify as soon as possible. Qualifying paperwork can be completed and filed with Elba City Clerk Sally Bane. Call Bane at 897-2333 to set up an appointment to complete the paperwork to qualify.

As of 12 Noon Tuesday, July 14, the following had qualified for the municipal election in Elba:

**Office of Mayor**

~ Tim Johnson

~ Tom Maddox

**City Councilperson,**

**District 1**

~ Johnathan Lockett

**City Councilperson,**

**District 2**

~ Gappa Wise

**City Councilperson,**

**District 3**

~ Jane Brunson

\*\* No one had qualified for the city council seats for District 4 or 5 as of noon Tuesday.

### Elba man killed Monday in Pike County wreck

A two-vehicle crash at approximately 8:15 p.m. Monday, July 13, claimed the life of a Coffee County man.

Briar James Smith, age 21, of Elba, was killed when the motorcycle he was operating collided with a 2010 Ford F-150 driven by James Turner, age 84, of Troy. Smith was transported to a local hospital where he was pronounced deceased.

Alabama State Troopers said Smith was not wearing a helmet at the time of the crash, which occurred on AL Hwy. 87 near the 56 mile marker (Springhill Community) approximately seven miles south of Troy.

Capps said the party should include things like fireworks, a parade, balloons with the age of the city, and, of course, a cake.

"The city of Elba is special. My family is from here," Capps said. "The people make the town special. I love Elba so much."

Mayor Mickey Murdock thanks Cate for addressing the council with her idea, saying he believes she has a good idea in mind.

"I am glad you have taken an interest and love Elba," the mayor said to Capps. "I will pass your idea on to the next mayor."

Cate is the daughter of Colby and Nichole Capps of Elba. Both of her parents are teachers within the Elba City School System. She has one younger brother.

### Area Happenings

**THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COFFEE COUNTY FARMERS FEDERATION** will be held Monday, July 20, at 6:30 p.m. in the Coffee County Farm Center building in New Brockton, Ala. Only one registration per membership for door prizes, and all members are encouraged to attend.

**THE JULY 2020 MEETING FOR THE DAV WIREGRASS CHAPTER 99**, located in New Brockton, Ala., will be held Thursday, July 23, at 6 p.m. The meeting will take place in the New Brockton Town Park, located at 202 S. John's Street. Attendees should bring an outdoor chair if one is available. For further information contact Charles Lobdell at 334-718-5707 or Mike Doran at 334-406-6700.



Jane Brunson

holds the CPA (Certified Public Accountant) designation.

In addition to her service on the Elba City Council, Brunson is a member of the Elba Water and Electric Board. She has attended training sponsored by the Alabama League of Municipalities and represented Elba at "Your Town" in 2015.

Brunson was a member of the ACE (Alabama Communities of Excellence) committee and was part of the presentation team that traveled to Birmingham when Elba was selected to participate in the Main Street Alabama program. Earlier this year, she was selected to participate in the LEAD Wiregrass program.

She serves on the Evergreen Cemetery Committee and is a member of the Elba Rotary Club.

Jane and her husband, Jack, are the parents of four grown children who were all educated in Elba City Schools.

Jane and Jack opened The Lodge on Pea River in 2013 to give visitors another overnight lodging option in Elba and to support the development of ecotourism along the riverfront. The Lodge is adjacent to Summerlyn Park and within walking distance of the Pea River Outdoors canoe and kayak rental center.

Brunson is excited that Elba's water and sewer infrastructure project, which has been several years in planning, will be getting underway soon with an anticipated duration of 18 months. She also is excited about the potential for new businesses as completion of the US Highway 84 project through the Elba City Limits nears.

Brunson said she hopes the citizens of District 3 will allow her to continue serving as their representative to the Elba City Council by reelecting her on Aug. 25th.

## EDITORIAL

### BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"Facts do not cease to exist because they are ignored." — Aldous Huxley

Alabama newspaper managers Phil Sanguinetti of the Anniston Star, age 100, and Barrett Sheldon Jr. of the Decatur Daily, age 89, each died in the past week. Death is a part of life that we all must face, but observing some deaths impacts us as individuals more than others. We liked and admired both these gentlemen. Phil was very low key and managed from the background. His quiet voice was important in many, many meetings we each attended. He seemed awful weak (and left early, assisted by an aide) at the last Birmingham meeting we both attended. Barrett had a different personality and had a lifelong reputation for using his family newspaper to make positive impacts on the community and for the people of the Decatur area. We last saw Barrett when Heddy and I were on a cruise where Barrett and wife Tolly were our delightful assigned table mates for shipboard dinners. Barrett was still chaffing at the cost of hosting his three children and the grandchildren on a Mediterranean vacation the previous summer. Don't worry, he didn't miss any meals as a result of his moment of weakness in agreeing to the arrangement.

A 30-year-old Texas man who recently attended a "Covid party" died after being infected with the virus. Just before he died, he told his nurse: "I think I made a mistake. I thought this was a hoax, but it's not." Hopefully our friends and regular readers will not make the same mistake. Be safe, wear your mask and wash your hands... regularly! Some of us will contract the highly contagious infection. It will be mild or 'unnoticeable' in some cases; in others it will be aggravating while for a few it will be extremely painful; then a small percentage will die as did the Texas man mentioned above.

33-year-old TV star of 'Glee', Naya Rivera was missing since her 4-year-old son Josey Dorsey was found last Wednesday in a pontoon boat alone on Lake Piru north of Los Angeles. Days later her body was found in a very deep part of the lake. The child told officials that his mother helped him back into the boat and when he looked around – she was gone. Of course, this child will forever miss his mother, but he will have a heartwarming story to tell his children and grandchildren. It is a story of a mother demonstrating a love for her son that far exceeded her own personal desire to live.

On Tuesday Alabama voters finally got to settle their Party preferences for the November General Election. Coffee County only had three (3) Republican races still undecided come Tuesday morning while the local Democrats decided all their November candidates the first time around. At press time Tuesday night, the votes were still being counted, but hopefully all our readers were on the winning side .... (whatever that turned out to be)!

Our predictions of more clamp downs on "business as usual" in Alabama is a bit slow in happening, but with the number of COVID 19 cases continuing to increase, we don't retract the prediction that it will happen, sooner if not later. California has retracted their re-openings due to the surge in new virus infections and Florida is moving in the same direction as their active cases balloon.

We dodged the bullet back in May when Heddy and yours truly both hugged a niece who stopped by the office to give us each some new masks to wear. We later learned that the allergies she was complaining about was ... yep 'the virus'. She was later so sick that she called her two adult sons to tell them what to do 'when she died'. Fortunately for her ... AND US ... it all ended on the positive side. We didn't contact the bug and she survived and is going to be OK.



### Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, between Tuesday, July 7, and Monday, July 13, 2020, conducted the following activity:

**TUESDAY, JULY 7** – Burglary reported at 720 Dixon St (7:36 a.m.); Burglary reported at 431 Court Ave (8:30 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported in area of Williams Ave and Garrett St (10:56 a.m.); Theft of property reported at 1157 Morrow Ave (12:51 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 720 Dixon St (2:42 p.m.); Harassment reported at 429 Plant Ave (9:44 p.m.). There was one traffic stop reported on this date with a warning issued.

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 8** – Reckless driver reported on County Rd 239 (8:28 p.m.); Drug activity reported at 100 Beaver Dam St (8:46 p.m.); Suspicious person reported on Beaver Dam St (9:01 p.m.). There were two traffic stops reported on this date with one warning and one citation issued.

**THURSDAY, JULY 9** – Shoplifter reported at 911 Farris Ave (3:02 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 238 Larkin Rd – an arrest was made (3:30 p.m.); Harassment reported at 1285 Ann St (6:45 p.m.); Shots fired reported at 1285 Ann St (9:08 p.m.). There were two traffic stops reported on this date with one citation and one warning issued.

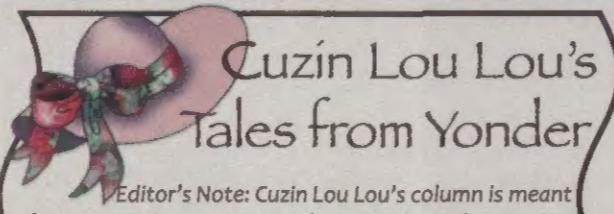
**FRIDAY, JULY 10** – Suspicious person reported at 1620 Boswell St (8:00 a.m.); Suspicious person reported on Caroline St (8:22 a.m.); Report of animal bites at 20200 Hwy 87 N – animal was impounded (9:38 a.m.); Harassment reported at 1297 Ann St (11:39 a.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 878 Claxton Ave N (1:56 p.m.); Animal complaint at 1060 Teresa St with animal impound (2:47 p.m.). There were six traffic stops reported on this date with four warnings, one no action

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### Need assistance filling out your 2020 Census Report? Help is Available in Elba!

City of Elba officials have announced that several city offices would be open throughout the month of July to assist citizens with filling out their 2020 Census information. Anyone needing assistance in filling out the Census information, can make an appointment with Elba City Hall each Monday – Friday from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m.; the Elba Chamber of Commerce office on Mondays and Wednesdays from 2 – 5 p.m.; and at the Elba Public Library on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. There will be someone available to assist with this information based on appointments.

To make an appointment at Elba City Hall call 897-2333; Elba Chamber call 897-3125; or the Elba Public Library call 897-6921.



Everybody's got 'pet peeves' and Cuzin Lou Lou is not exempt from that. Several of her "peeves" just happen to come from improper use of the English language.

And, when you come from Somewhere Over Yonder – well, let's just say the use of the language can be interesting at times. That translates to many a headache for 'ole Lou Lou.

Well! Leave it to the world of Facebook to send Lou Lou into a complete tizzy last week!

She was scrolling through the dramaloid [Lou Lou just made that one up, lol] when she comes across a post where the folks at Merriam Webster publishing have decided to start recognizing "irregardless" as an official word.

Immediately Cuzin Lou Lou's undies twisted into a tight knot, and she began screaming like a child that had just missed the ice cream truck!

"What in the name of Yonder?!?" Lou Lou exclaimed. "Absolutely not! This is unacceptable!"

Surely this is a joke, Lou Lou concluded. So, she decided to do a little investigating.

Nope! Not a joke. Merriam Webster says the word has been in its dictionary [as the nonstandard use of regardless] because it has been in widespread and near-constant use since 1795. The word apparently has been in the Merriam Webster's unabridged dictionary edition since 1934. Other dictionaries also recognize it as a word.

It is at this point in Lou Lou's research that she decides she might as well throw caution to the wind and either start drinking or eat a gallon of ice cream!

"How in the world can this be?!" she questions. "Saying 'irregardless' is like

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**\*\*NOTE FOR ALL GRADES:** Due to Covid-19, cleaning/sanitizing supplies may be limited in stores. If you are unable to locate these items, we understand. Please note that we have taken additional measures to ensure that we have these items in classrooms at the beginning of the school year.

### Kindergarten:

1 Binder (1 1/4 inch with clear front and back outside pocket)  
1 pack of sheet protectors (50 count)  
2 bottles of Elmer's Glue (No Gels, No Glue Sticks)  
2 boxes of Crayola crayons - 8 count  
3 boxes of Crayola crayons - 24 count  
1 Red One Subject Notebook  
1 Yellow One Subject Notebook  
2 packs of pencils (No Designs)  
**GIRLS ONLY:** 1 pack of big pink erasers  
1 pair of Fiskars Scissors  
6 rolls of paper towels  
4 boxes of Kleenex  
1 pack of highlighters  
1 nylon pouch for crayons (No Supply Boxes)  
10 black Expo dry erase markers (Black - Low Odor)  
1 pair of headphones (No Earbuds)  
**GIRLS ONLY:** Quart Ziploc Bags (Slider Zips)  
**BOYS ONLY:** Gallon Ziploc Bags (Slider Zips)  
Send on change of clothes in a gallon Ziploc bag with your child's name on it (Shirts, pants, underwear, and socks)  
The following items may be paid for at the EES Kindergarten Jumpstart  
\$12.00 for Kindergarten T-Shirt and \$2.00 for Weekly Folder  
\*\*2 bottles of hand sanitizer  
\*\*1 large bottle of hand soap  
\*\*3 containers of Lysol wipes  
\*\*Lysol Spray  
\*Label items with your child's name\*No rolling backpacks or supply boxes

**First Grade:**  
Plastic supply box  
One 1-in. binder with clear front pocket  
One 1/2 in. binder with clear front pocket  
6 packs of #2 yellow wood pencils (no mechanical)  
1 pack of multi-colored construction paper  
4 boxes of Crayola Crayons - 24 count  
1 pack of highlighters  
1 pair of Fiskar brand scissors - blunt  
2 bottles of Elmer's school glue (no glue stick)  
2 packs of jumbo pink erasers (no cap erasers)  
4 single subject/wide ruled composition notebooks  
3 packs of Expo black dry erase markers  
2 plastic folders with pockets (1 red/1 blue)  
Headphones (no earbuds)  
4 boxes of facial tissue  
6 rolls of paper towels  
1 back of sheet protectors  
Boys: 1 box of Ziploc gallon size bags  
Girls: 1 box of Ziploc quart size bags  
Backpack (No Rolling) - \$2.00 for Weekly Folder

\*\*2 bottles of hand sanitizer  
\*\*1 large bottle of hand soap  
\*\*3 containers of Lysol wipes  
\*\*Lysol Spray  
\*Label all items with your child's name  
\*No rolling backpacks

### Second Grade:

1 Pack wide ruled loose leaf paper  
2-Pair of Fiskars Scissors  
5-24 count packs of #2 pencils  
4-4 count packs of jumbo pink erasers  
2-4 packs of glue sticks  
1-4 pack of highlighters  
5- One-subject composition notebooks  
4- Plastic folders with pockets (1 red/1 blue/1 green/1 yellow)  
1- 1 1/2 in binder with clear front pocket  
1- 50 count pack of sheet protectors  
1-Pencil pouch  
4-Rolls of paper towels  
4- Boxes of Kleenex  
2- 4 packs of black EXPO dry-erase markers  
Girls- 1 Box Ziploc quart size bags  
Boys- 1 Box Ziploc gallon size bags  
Earbuds or headphones  
Backpack (No Rolling)  
\$2.00 for Weekly Folder  
\*\*2 bottles of hand sanitizer  
\*\*1 large bottle of hand soap  
\*\*3 containers of Lysol wipes  
\*\*Lysol Spray  
\*Label all items with your child's name  
\*No rolling backpacks

### Third Grade:

1- three-ring binder (2 or 3 inch)  
2- Spiral notebooks (one 5-subject, one 1-subject)  
8 plastic folders  
3 packs of wide ruled paper  
2 boxes of 24 count Crayola crayons  
3 glue sticks  
4 jumbo pink erasers  
1 pack of lined index cards  
1 pair of headphones  
1 pack of sheet protectors  
1 pack of post its  
6 rolls of paper towels  
4 boxes of Kleenex  
1 box of Ziploc bags (boys-gallon size, girls- quart size)  
1 zippered pencil pouch  
5 bound spiral composition notebooks (not spiral)  
1 pack of black Expo markers  
1 pack of different colored highlighters  
5 packs of regular pencils (Ticonderoga brand are awesome!)  
\$2.00 for Weekly Folder  
\*\*2 bottles of hand sanitizer  
\*\*1 large bottle of hand soap  
\*\*3 containers of Lysol wipes  
\*\*Lysol Spray  
Please label items with your child's name  
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## Obituaries

Death notices updated regularly on our website at <[www.elba-clipper.com](http://www.elba-clipper.com)>

### WANDA WYNELL SEYMORE DONALDSON

Mrs. Wanda Wynell Seymour Donaldson, age 84, a former resident of Elba, Ala., died peacefully Saturday, July 11, 2020, at her daughter's home in Panama City Beach, Fla.

Funeral services were held July 13, 2020 from Hayes Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Sam Self officiating. Burial followed in the New Ebenezer Baptist Church Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Wanda was preceded in death by her husband, Jack Donaldson, and a daughter, Bama Donaldson Farris.

Survivors include two daughters: Jacqueline Donaldson (Jack) Smith, Panama City Beach, and Sue (Marshall "Chip") Mauldin, Elba; grandsons: Jack Merl (Wyndell) Smith Jr., Saraland, Ala., and Billy Gibson, Ozark, Ala.; granddaughters: Marsha (Claude) Daniels, Elba, and Brittany (Jake) Wimberly, Andalusia, Ala.; one sister: Berta Stephens, Enterprise, Ala.; and 10 great-grandchildren.

**JO ANN SMITH CLARK**

Mrs. Jo Ann Smith Clark, age 73, of Waxahachie, Texas died Sunday, July 12, 2020, at home. The family will receive friends Saturday, July 25, 2020 at Hayes Funeral Home in Elba, Ala. from 9 to 9:45 a.m. Graveside services will follow at 10 a.m. at Evergreen Cemetery in Elba.

Jo Ann was born November 10, 1946 to the late Charlie Robert Smith and Lucy Mae Kendrick Smith in Kinston, Ala. Survivors include her daughter: Rhonda Regina (Steve) Smith, Midlothian, Texas, and grandchildren: Daniel Mark (Keri) Smith, David Chad (Alexandra) Smith, Asha Arlena Smith, Mellie Margaret Smith and Clark Joe Smith; daughter: Stacey Page (Rick Stacy) Clark, Colorado Springs, Colo., and grandchildren: Locally Owned & Operated by Heath and Jessica Wyrosdick P.O. Box 678 1614 County Road 359 Elba, AL 36323 (334) 897-8300

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Grief isn't something you process overnight; in some ways, it's something you may never fully "get over." Rather, grief is a journey, and it can encompass a range of moods and reactions. There is a classic five-stage model that maps out the grief journey. While your personal experience may not totally align with this model, it can nevertheless be a useful tool for clarifying your feelings.

The five classic phases of grief include:

1. Denial. In the denial phase, your grief is so fresh and so raw you may feel like you're in a state of shock. Those in the denial phase simply want to push forward and try to make it through each day, and they may not spend much time actually thinking about their feelings.

2. Anger. Next comes the anger phase, in which those who have lost a loved one may feel deserted, abandoned by God, or simply resentful over the time they've lost with their loved one. Anger is a good and healthy part of the grieving process.

3. Bargaining. In the bargaining phase, it may be tempting to try to "make a deal" with God or with the universe, hoping you may wake up and find your loved one's death was all a dream. Bargaining is often accompanied by intense feelings of guilt.

4. Depression. A season of melancholy is to be expected from those who grieve. Depression may also feel like profound state of emptiness or meaninglessness.

5. Acceptance. Those who "accept" death may still feel quite sad, and this does not mean their grieving journey is over—but it does mean they have reached a healthy place of truly engaging with their feelings and being honest about how grief has impacted them.

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## SPORTS NEWS

### Views From The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

*As the school year gets closer and closer our grandson Lawson all of the sudden isn't quite so sure he is ready to head back. He has said for months that he is ready to go back, but that has now changed that while he is looking forward to seeing his friends, he really isn't ready for school. After being out since late March due to health concerns, it is time to get back to school and resume learning.*

*For what it is worth....*

\*\*\* Alabama High School Athletic Association executive director Steve Savarese reported last week in a newspaper interview that on a scale of 1-10 he was "10 positive" the fall sports in the state would start on time. He admitted that COVID-19 stats change on a daily basis and could lead to a change, but the state sports head felt that the football and volleyball seasons would start as scheduled on August 20. He added that while the virus will be around for quite a while, the goal of the AHSAA and its member schools is to mitigate the risks to all involved, including fans. When asked about fans, he insisted that would be a decision made by the local schools, or health departments, but expected fans to be in the bleachers when the seasons kick off. He had earlier hinted that the coaches/players box would be extended to give those on the sidelines more room, and that admission to the sidelines would be strictly enforced. In the interview last week, Savarese also stated that there would probably be no handshakes or high fives between players. It may look different, but for now it looks like the season will start on time.

\*\*\* The Atlanta Braves released their sixty-game schedule last week and the Braves better be ready to play when they take the field since they will play twenty straight games to open the season before getting a day off, and have only six days off the entire season. The Braves will open the season on the road against the Mets on July 24 as part of a three-game series, and are set to close the abbreviated season on Sept. 27 with a three-game home series against the Boston Red Sox. The schedule includes ten games against each team in their own division, with the remaining twenty games against teams from the American League East, including six games against the Red Sox and four against the Yankees. I'm sure Braves fans hope the season will get off to a better start than did the beginning of pre-season drills, since four players (including two All-Stars) tested positive for COVID-19, two other players (both former All-Stars) opted to sit out the season for health concerns, and one coach also decided to sit out the season. Nothing is set in stone due to the ever-changing landscape of COVID-19, but it already looks like the 2020 season is going to be interesting.

\*\*\* I know that professional sports are a big money business, but for the life of me I can't see how any one players can be worth over \$3 million per game! That's what the numbers came out to recently when Kansas City Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes signed a 10-year, \$503 million contract with the Chiefs. The salary, the biggest ever in the history of professional sports, includes \$477 million in guaranteed money, which means he can earn that salary even if he never takes another snap. Mahomes led the Chiefs to their first Super Bowl title in fifty years last season in only his second season as a starter, and has obviously convinced the Kansas City front office that it cannot win without him. With the COVID-19 virus putting all sports in somewhat of a 'wait and see' mode, the new contract seems a little crazy to me. I'm sorry, but I will never believe that any professional athlete in any sport will ever be worth \$3 million per game.

\*\*\* Now that the dominos have started to fall in the world of college football many fans and so-called experts have doubts there will even be a season. Okay, I know that the Big 10 and PAC 12 have decided to play just conference opponents, which wiped out a lot of highly publicized match-ups, and that as an independent Notre Dame had

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games cancelled against Southern Cal, Stanford and Wisconsin, but it is still a big money industry and cannot believe the entire season will be called off. One fact that caught my eye was that Brigham Young and Hawaii have both seen their first four games of the season cancelled and will now not open the season until October. Wow! I don't think anybody really cared when the Ivy League, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association and Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference all cancelled all fall sports, including football. However, with the ACC delaying its football starting date and other big name schools cutting athletic budgets, everyone is keeping an eye on what is happening on a daily basis. Since all the college officials are so worried about travel, I have a solution to the problem for all football fans in the State of Alabama – our colleges just play each other and never cross the state line. Teams

in the D1 division would include Alabama, Auburn, Alabama A & M, Alabama State, Jacksonville State, North Alabama, Samford, South Alabama, UAB and Troy. This would give all teams a nine-game schedule, which would be followed by a four-team playoff. The remaining teams would combine to form a six-team division that would include Miles, Tuskegee, West Alabama, Birmingham Southern, Faulkner, and Huntington. They would play a home and home schedule, which would result in a 10-game schedule. I know it will never happen, but it is an interesting idea, at least for me.

\*\*\* **In closing**... Beginning next week, I will start publishing a pre-season look at the football schedules of the teams in the area. Elba will kick off the preview as the Tigers prepare to kick off their 100<sup>th</sup> season of football. Get ready, the season is getting closer by the day!

### Brantley's Leanna Johnson ranked as the sixth best D1 college pitcher in the nation



TROY UNIVERSITY PITCHER LEANNA JOHNSON

Former Brantley Lady Bulldog softball standout Leanna Johnson has continued her pitching success during her two-year career at Troy University and recently made national headlines when she was chosen as the nation's sixth best division 1 collegiate pitcher by Softball Pitcher Analytics.

The analytical rankings are based on three categories – zone control, pitch ability and durability. Johnson, who pitched 94 of the Lady Trojans 151 total innings played during the abbreviated 2020 season, owned the strike zone and was ranked sixth nationally in strikeouts with 137, while holding opponents to a .153 batting average.

"I am so proud of Leanna," said Lady Trojan head coach Beth Mullins, in a published article. "She is such a competitor and just a true Trojan through and through. I am really excited to get back out there with her and this team and compete in the upcoming season."

Johnson has already etched her name into Troy's single-season record book in victories, strikeouts and shutouts, and was on track to topple her 2019 shutout record after opening the past season with seven shutouts, which ranked first nationally.

While at Brantley High

School, Johnson led the Lady Bulldogs to four state championships (2014, 2015, 2016, 2018), was named the Class 1A Player of the Year three times, was the 2018 Gatorade Player of the Year, and in 2018 was named 'Miss Softball' in the state. Her career numbers at Brantley included 162 wins; 1, 714 strikeouts; 29 no-

hitters; and, 6 perfect games.

During her freshman season at Troy, she posted 25 wins, including seven shutouts, recorded a 2.19 earned run average, and in 217.1 innings inside the circle recorded 231 strikeouts. Her banner season earned her Sun Belt Conference 'Freshman of the Year'

honors, as well as being named first team All-Sun Belt Conference and second team NFCA South Region. Before the 2020 season was stopped, Johnson had recorded an 11-3 record, owned a 1.71 earned run average, had pitched 10 complete games and in 94 innings of work had already recorded 137 strikeouts.

### New pier at Gulf Shores' Gulf State Park is ready to open

By DAVID RAINER  
Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Lamar Pendergrass believes in the old saying that good things come to those who wait.

The timing of the renovations at Gulf State Park Pier is not what was planned, but Pendergrass assures everyone it will be worth the wait.

"This is going to be what sets the example for any pier that is built on the Gulf of Mexico," said Pendergrass, Alabama State Parks South Region Operations Supervisor. "If people want to see something that is state-of-the-art and done the right way, this is where they need to be."

The \$2.4 million renova-

tion of one of the premier piers on the Gulf of Mexico is expected to be completed in July after all the decking and handrails have been replaced as the major part of the renova-

"The problems with the wood we've had in the past are rot and deterioration, the effects of weather and the elements over time," Pendergrass said.

The treated pine timber on top of the pier decking is showing severe wear and tear with splintering and erosion to the point of being unsafe.

"It's not just the top; it's the understructure," Pendergrass said. "The understructure is pine also, and it's rotten too. We have nothing to screw the deck boards into. Even with 3-inch screws, the joists are too deteriorated to get the board secured. There's nothing left to hold the board down.



"For practicality and safety issues, we couldn't delay this process any longer."

Instead of composite material, a sustainably sourced Brazilian hardwood called ipe (pronounced eipay) was chosen for the decking and top boards on the handrails.

"Ipe is very, very dense and very hard," Pendergrass said. "It has to be predrilled to secure to the joists. You can't just drive a screw into it."

Pendergrass said ipe has a projected lifespan of 30 years compared to 10 years for the treated pine that is being replaced.

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contacted by NOAA (National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration) that they were going to require a biological opinion on this pier to assess impact on endangered species."

Normally, a biological opinion takes about a year to complete. Pendergrass said Conservation Commissioner Chris Blankenship shepherded the opinion process, and the opinion was issued in just a few months.

"The Commissioner really worked hard to get this done," Pendergrass said.

"Visiting the Gulf State Park Pier is almost a rite of passage for people who come to Gulf Shores," said Commissioner Blankenship when the work began earlier this year. "Because it is such an important part of our park, we are absolutely dedicated to maintaining the pier and ensuring it is safe and accessible to our many thousands of guests. We also want to make it as environmentally friendly as possible for sea turtles and other wildlife."

Pendergrass admitted Gulf State Park was losing significant revenue from the pier during the summer months, but it couldn't be avoided.

"We didn't have a choice but to shut the pier down when we did," he said. "We had to shut it down for the safety of the anglers and visitors."

"We literally couldn't keep up with the repairs. We were changing boards out every day, and we were dealing with the old lighting as well."

In addition, the pier will get a new and vastly improved fish-cleaning station.

# CHURCH NEWS



**PRAYER WALK HELD FOR ELBA'S DISTRICT ONE COMMUNITY...**Citizens and friends of the District One community of Elba participated Saturday, June 27, in a Prayer Walk through the community. The walk began from the Masonic Lodge at 1503 Martin Luther King Drive in Elba. Event organizers included District One city councilman Johnathan Lockett and Karizmah Magwood. Those participating in the prayer walk practiced social distancing and work face masks due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The photo above shows several citizens walking in prayer, included in the group were Elba's three announced mayoral candidates Tom Maddox, Tim Johnson, and Chelsea Cooper.

## Pastor's Corner

by Dr. John Granger, Director of Missions  
COFFEE COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

### Caring

"The company that cares." This, or something like it, is the motto of several businesses these days. Lots of churches also use it: "The church that cares." "We care about you." "Where everyone is somebody and you are someone special."

However it is stated, one thing is obvious. Many people want their organization to be known as a caring one. An observer is likely to suspect that some of the users of the slogans about caring use it more as a manipulative gimmick than as a statement of reality. In any regard, there is a lot of talk out there about caring.

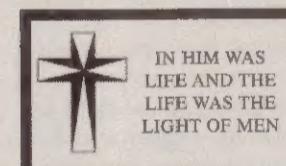
One business advertisement had a mistake that some readers saw as a "Freudian slip." A line in the ad went like this: "Although we receive many letters and calls each day, we fake a personal interest in each one." Sadly, much of the talk about caring might be reflected better with the "f" than the "t."

The "big I" and "little you" syndrome is part of the problem. A person may be so involved in himself and his interests that he just doesn't have room to do much caring for another. Fibber McGee used to illustrate this by saying "My wife I and words-but I never got to use mine."

Genuine caring and concern is easier to talk about than to do. If you find a person who really cares about you, you are blessed. The Apostle Paul apparently thought of the little group of believers in Philippi as "a colony of heaven," because he sensed their love for God, for each other, and for him.

A speaker once was talking to a group about showing love to others. Someone in the audience injected a question. "What if they will not receive your love?" The speaker retorted, "Increase the dose."

People will respond in kind, as a rule, to genuine love. Just remember to "take interest," not "fake interest" in others.



COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH  
Diana White, Pastor  
Bible Study ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Fellowship ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Worship ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Wed. Night (Youth Real Deal and Children's Activities) ..... 6:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPT. CHURCH  
Steve Watson, Pastor

Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH  
Dale Morgan, Pastor

Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:00 p.m.

FAITH CHAPEL  
COMMUNITY CHURCH  
Philip Adcock, Pastor

Sunday Morning ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening ..... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST  
Philip Box, Minister

Bible Study ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service ..... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study ..... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD  
David Noble, Pastor

Morn. Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Even. Worship ..... 5:00 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH  
Gregory Hanchey, Minister

Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Morn. Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service ..... 5:00 p.m.  
Thur. Night ..... 7:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF PROPHETIC  
H.L. Buckner, Pastor

Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service ..... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study ..... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF TABERNACLE  
Allen Richards, Pastor

Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service ..... 4:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF THE HOLY GHOST  
Dwight Johnson, Pastor

Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Morn. Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Even. Service ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service ..... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
Rev. Steve Renau, Pastor

Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Services ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service ..... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPT. CHURCH  
Steve Reneau, Pastor

Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Services ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

HERBON BAPT. CHURCH  
Mark Cooper, Pastor

Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service ..... 6:30 p.m.  
Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPT. CHURCH  
Larry Mills, Pastor

Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Night ..... 7:00 p.m.

CORNERSTONE BIBLE  
CHURCH  
Larry Mills, Pastor

Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Night ..... 7:00 p.m.

CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST  
Rev. Remonia Smith

Church Services ..... 9:00 a.m.  
2nd & 4th Sundays

SUNDAY SCHOOL ..... 9:00 a.m.

1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays

SUNDAY SCHOOL ..... 10:00 a.m.

2nd & 4th Sundays

NEW PHILADELPHIA  
CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST  
Lanny Shepard, Pastor

Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY  
OF GOD

Shirley Ellis, Pastor

Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service ..... 6:30 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study ..... 6:00 p.m.

NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY  
OF GOD CHURCH  
Brad Sasser, Pastor

Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening ..... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet ..... 6:00 p.m.

MT. OLIVE BAPT. CHURCH  
Olan Strickland, Pastor

Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship ..... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study ..... 6:00 p.m.

MT. ZION BAPTIST  
CHURCH  
Kevin Byrd, Pastor

Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service ..... 6:30 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

THE WAY OF HOLINESS  
CHURCH, Elba

Loreal Flowers, Minister

Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service ..... 6:30 p.m.  
2nd & 4th Sundays

TUESDAY BIBLE CLASS  
Max Reed, Minister

Sunday School ..... 11:30 a.m.  
Tuesday Bible Class ..... 7:00 p.m.

## CHURCH NEWS

### Round and About with Eria's Daughter

(334) 897-3611



**Scripture:** Prayer for safe keeping from wickedness. Psalm 141: 1-10

**Thinking of You! Praying for You.**

Alan J. Belcher, Pastor A.R. Williams, Michael M. Manning, Wendy Wood, Min. Robert Edwards, Shelly Davis, Isaiah Franklin Jr., Keneka (KiKi) Belcher, Family of the late Charles Coon

**July Birthdays / Anniversaries**

Makayla Moore 7/6

Min. Joyce Belcher Johnson 7/7

Tevin Kelley 7/7

Evelyn Belcher Manning 7/8

Rev. Stanley Woodfolk 7/8

Malik Kelley 7/9

Henry Rowe 7/9

Lydia M. Kelley 7/10

Kenya Martin 7/10

Shelly Davis Jr. 7/11

Ramona Hardwick 7/12 (in memory)

Afrenee Kelley 7/12

**AA/NA meetings**

Encourage anyone who needs the meetings to attend. These meetings are held on Tuesdays and Fridays at 7 p.m. at Elba Church of Christ, 715 Troy Road, Elba.

All with loved ones buried in Zoar Cemetery are encouraged to attend the annual meeting.

**July 25th**

The Zoar Cemetery Association annual meeting set for Saturday, July 25th

The Zoar Cemetery Association has been meeting on Saturday before the 4th Sunday each July since 1988.

The annual business meeting for Zoar Cemetery will be held Saturday, July 25, at Zoar Cemetery, located on County Road 331, at 10 a.m. Continued personal and financial support is needed.

**July 22 & Aug 5 • Hours: 10 am - 2 pm**

### Bob Bush, DVM Veterinary Express of South Alabama Small Animal Medicine & Surgery

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**Question / Answer Section  
Q/A for the Week of 7-9-2020**

**Q:** What two groups murmured against Jesus' eating with sinners?

**A:** The two groups: Pharisees and Scribes. Luke 15:2

**Q:** When the angel spoke to the shepherds what were his first two words?

**A:** The two words were: (KJV) Fear not. Luke 2: 10

**Scripture:** Saying that makes sense

Be it known unto everyone, everywhere...

Justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ

Romans 5:1

**Scripture:** Multiple Choice

**Q:** What did Paul suggest to Timothy for his frequent ailments? (wine) (honey) or (wheat bread)

**Q:** From the book of Matthew, when an evil spirit returns to a person, then that love will show in our treatment of other people. We will show our gratitude by being gracious.

**Scripture:** It's a Learning Process

I learned to ride a bicycle when I was 7-years-old. Thirty years later, I bought my first motorcycle. The transition was an easy one because the principles of balance and steering apply

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Starting salary is \$31,878.10

STARTING DATE: July 13, 2020

CLOSING DATE: July 27, 2020

For those that meet the minimum qualifications, a Physical Ability/Agility test will be given after the closing date on August 1st, at 9AM. Written Exam will be given on August 3rd, at 2:00PM. Candidates will be notified by email once the position closes.

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FOR COFFEE COUNTY,  
ALABAMA  
ELBA DIVISION

CASE NO. PC 2020-035

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF  
Manuel Lee  
DECEASED

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED

The City of Elba is now accepting applications for the part-time position

(19 hours per week) of

Recreation Program Coordinator.

Opening Date: Immediately Closing Date: July 27, 2020

**Job Summary:** The coordinator assists the recreation director in administering prescribed programs, services, facilities, and/or events. This includes promoting programs and booking facilities for various uses such as birthday parties, family reunions, etc. Prepares and monitors registration information for various programs and provides frequent updates. Maintains positive relationships while working openly and professionally with citizens and participants. **Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:** Administrative skills for support staff and instructors. Knowledge and experience in Microsoft Office applications. **Salary:** \$9.00 per hour.

**Benefits:** This is a part-time position and no benefits are offered.

**Applications are available at:**

City Hall, 200 Buford Street, Elba, AL or

online at [www.elbaalabama.net/job-opportunities](http://www.elbaalabama.net/job-opportunities).

All applications should be submitted to Elba City Hall or may be emailed to [info@elbaalabama.gov](mailto:info@elbaalabama.gov) with the subject

line "Recreation Coordinator."

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NOTICE OF COMPLETION

McClain Contracting Company, Inc. has completed the contract requirements for

City of Elba Site Improvements for Hawkins Williams Park LWCF Project No. 17-LW-1047.

ANY PERSONS HAVING

A CLAIM FOR LABOR, MATERIALS, OR EQUIPMENT AGAINST THIS PROJECT SHOULD NOTIFY

TIFLY DeAnn Grantham,

P.E., Southern Engineering Solutions, 201 E. Troy Street, Andalusia, AL;

334.222.1849 or City of Elba, 200 Buford Street, Elba, Alabama; 334.897.2333.

Contractor Contact:

McClain Contracting Company, Inc.

105 Choctaw Street

Andalusia, AL 36420

7/9/16, 23, & 30-chg.

STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF COFFEE

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made

in the payment of the indebtedness secured by that

certain mortgage and security agreement executed by

ETHEL S. MOBLEY and JAMES A. MOBLEY, a married couple, on the

14th day of April 2014, to

21ST MORTGAGE CORPORATION, as recorded in

A/OFFR Book 152A, Page

202, in the office of the Probate Judge of Coffee

County, Alabama;

21ST MORTGAGE CORPORATION, as Mortgagee,

by reason of such default

having declared all of the

indebtedness secured by said

mortgage and security

agreement due and payable

and such default continuing,

notice is hereby given that,

acting under the power of

sale contained in said mort-

gage and security agree-

ment, and as authorized by

Section 7-9A-604(a)(2) of

the Code of Alabama of

1975 as amended,

21ST MORTGAGE COR-

PORATION, as Mortgagee,

will sell at public outcry, for

cash to the highest bidder, in

front of the Courthouse

door, in the City of Elba,

Coffee County, Alabama,

during the legal hours of

sale on August 5, 2020, the

following described real and

personal property situated in

Coffee County, Alabama, to-wit:

One lot or parcel of land

containing one acre, more

or less, lying and being situ-

ated in the Southwest Quarter

of the Southeast Quarter of

Section 6, Township 7 North,

Range 22 East, in Coffee County, Al-

abama, and being more par-

ticularly described as

follows: Beginning at the inter-

section of the East right

of way of Alabama High-

way No. 125 (Tarentum-

Victoria) and the North line

of the Southwest Quarter of

the Southeast Quarter of

Section 6, Township 7

North, Range 22 East; thence

South 31° 30' West 160.0 feet along said high-

way right of way; thence

South 65° 51' East 205.7 feet; thence North 31° 30'

East 260.0 feet to the forty

During Elba BOE special meeting

**Additional staff hired for EES**

by Linda Hodge, Editor

During a special called meeting Tuesday, July 7, of the Elba Board of Education a handful of personnel matters were approved by the board.

Two resignations presented to board members were those of Emily Alverson and Tachae Wright, both teachers at the elementary school. Board member Matt Brunson asked if all paperwork was in place for the resignations, and superintendent Chris Moseley affirmed.

The board next approved recommendations from Moseley for three hires at the elementary school. Principal Debra Strickland confirmed the recommendations came to Moseley from her.

Emilee Davis was approved to fill one of the just vacated spots at EES. Moseley said Davis had been subbing for the school the past couple of years, and she had

gotten her certifications back in or to allow her to return to full-time teaching again.

Rebekka Newell was hired as an EES teacher. Moseley said Newell comes to Elba from the Enterprise Early Education Center. He said administrators had been receiving glowing reviews on Newell and were excited to add her to the elementary faculty.

The board also approved the hire of Stephanie Davis as a special education teacher for the elementary school. Moseley said Davis comes to Elba after most recently teaching in Samson. He said she would help pick up some of the case load in special education that is much needed.

The remainder of the meeting was focused on discussing the current plan for reopening Elba City Schools next month [a synopsis of the reopening plan was published in the July 9th edition of The Elba Clipper].

**PUBLIC NOTICES:**

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**"Notice of Contract Completion:** Donald Smith Company, Inc., 746 East Main Street, Headland, AL 36345 hereby gives notice of completion of a contract with Jack Water System, Inc. for construction of Contract No. 2, Water Supply Well Rehabilitation. This notice will appear for four consecutive weeks beginning July 16 and ending August 6, 2020. All claims in connection with this project should be filed during this period with the Engineer, David Hicks and Associates, 406 Dothan Road, Abbeville, Alabama 36310."

7/16,23,30 &amp; 8/6-chg

**Notice of Completion-Pike Road Electric Co., Inc.**

Pike Road Electric Co., Inc. has completed the contract requirements for the New Football Field Lighting at Zion Chapel High School for the Coffee County Board of Education Project No. 19-297 and have made request for final settlement of said Contract. All persons having any claim for labor, materials, or otherwise in connection with this project should notify McKee and Associates Architects, 631 South Hull Street, Montgomery, Alabama 36104, 334-834-9933; Pike Road Electric Co., Inc. 367 Kershaw Industrial Boulevard, Montgomery, Alabama 36117, 334-281-0909

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**IN THE MATTER OF LOUISE M. NICHOLSON,** Deceased.

**IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA**  
Elba Division

CASE NO. PC 2020-031

**NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 16th day of June 2020 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Witness my hand this the 30th day of June 2020.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson

Probate Judge

7/9,16&23-pd

**IN THE MATTER OF EMMA REBECCA HOLLEY,**

Deceased.

**IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA**  
Elba Division

CASE NO: PC 2020-034

**NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 30th day of June, 2020 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Witness my hand this the 30th day of June 2020.

/s/ Joel Lee Williams

Joel Lee Williams

Attorney for the Company

P.O. Box 446

Troy, Alabama 36081

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**IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA**

Elba Division

CASE NO. PC 2020-031

**PUBLICATION NOTICE**

Notice to: Zachary Tyler

Address Unknown

Please take notice that a Petition for Letters of Administration in the above-styled matter has been filed in said Court by Toby Tyler, Petitioner, and that the 25th day of August, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. has been set for hearing on the same at the Coffee County Courthouse in Elba, Alabama. Please be advised that if you intend to contest this, you MUST file a written response within thirty (30) days hereof with council for said Petitioner, whose name and address are as shown below and with the Clerk of the said Probate Court.

Submitted this 2nd day of June, 2020.

/s/ Gary D. Bradshaw

GARY D BRADSHAW

(BRA074)

Attorney for Petitioner

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**IN THE MATTER OF RANDY RUDOLPH EDWARDS,**

Deceased.

**IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA**

ELBA DIVISION

CASE NO: PC-2020-037

**NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**

Letters of Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 9th day of July, 2020, by the Honorable Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Witness my hand this the 9th day of July, 2020.

/s/ Claude Ronald Nicholson

Personal Representative

/s/ James Richard Nicholson

Personal Representative

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**In the Matter of Agnes Lorene Coleman, Deceased.**

In the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama  
Elba Division  
Case No: PC 2020-030

**IN THE MATTER OF RANDY RUDOLPH EDWARDS,**

Deceased.

**IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA**

ELBA DIVISION

CASE NO: PC 2020-033

**NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to Ronnie Joe Edwards on the 30th day of June, 2020, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims

against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Witness my hand this the 9th day of July, 2020.

/s/ James Richard Nicholson

Personal Representative

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## LIFESTYLES



### Annsley Padgett honored with a miscellaneous bridal shower

The fellowship hall of Newbia Baptist Church, Elba, Alabama, was the setting for a miscellaneous shower honoring Miss Annsley Padgett, bride-elect of Taylor Renfroe, on Sunday afternoon, June 28, 2020, between the hours of half-past one and three o'clock.

The double front doors were marked with vine wreaths accented with white silk roses. On the porch to the right of the doors stood a WELCOME sign which had been hand painted by Annsley's maternal great grandmother, Nelline Hudson Taylor. A white tulle bow was attached to the sign. A large pot filled with mixed plants rested on the floor adjacent to the sign.

Several gift tables holding a large variety of gifts were positioned around the spacious room. Guests were seated at round tables covered with soft pink table covers. A small arrangement of mixed flowers and greenery rested in the center of the tables.

Bearing her usual smile, Annsley was radiant in a fitted soft pink dress accented with silver lame trim. A corsage of silk variegated roses completed her attire.

The honoree greeted her guests at a registry table draped with a pink satin cover and topped with a lace cloth.

The table held her wedding book and matching pen set. Also, a watercolor painting of one of the couple's engagement pictures rested on a brass easel beside her wedding book. One of Annsley's high school artistic friends, Jordyn Banta, created the painting and gifted it to Annsley.

A round table covered with a white floor-length cloth stood adjacent to the registry table. From this table, Anita Grimes served a refreshing punch from a treasured punch bowl. The punch bowl once belonged to a beloved friend of Annsley's, the late Helen Snow Smith; but it was given to Annsley several years ago. The base of the punch bowl



Miss Annsley Padgett, bride-elect of Taylor Renfroe, was honored with a miscellaneous bridal shower June 28, 2020 at Newbia Baptist Church.

## COVID

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over 1,000 COVID-19 patients reported as currently in hospitals statewide. He said two weeks ago, that number was approximately 600 COVID hospital patients per day.

Taking all these numbers into account, Brown said his office as well as others across the state have started making plans of 'what to do' if the hospitals get overrun again with patients.

"Here in Coffee County, we are going by CDC recommendations and are trying to be proactive," Brown said. "We always plan for the worst-case scenario."

And, while he said Monday's 429 cumulative cases for Coffee County was still just 9/10 of 1 percent of the population, the trend upward is still concerning.

"If our percentages go up to 2-3 percent of our population with 10-12 percent of those patients hospitalized, that's too much for our hospitals," Brown said. "We do not want to panic anyone. We are just being cautious but planning for the worst case scenario."

Brown said if citizens would simply listen to the guidelines and recommendations being put out by health officials - such as social distancing, wearing face masks, sanitizing regularly, etc. - that there won't be a

## CCBOE

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dents get here," Killingsworth said. "That is why our staff will be returning to school several days before the students."

Also during the meeting, Killingsworth said he expects the Coffee County School System to get more students from Enterprise again this year due to the tuition plan at that school system for those living outside the school district. He said he does not know how many Coffee County will get this year, but he said he would have a plan in place soon preparing to enroll those new students, however many that may be when school starts.

## CORRECTION:

A typing error in the article last week on the Masonic Lodge scholarships misidentified one of the ten students receiving the scholarship awards. Johnny Ray Davis is the correct name for the young man standing on the far left in the back row of that photo from the July 9th edition of The Elba Clipper.

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